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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT:

Briefing Materials for Secretary Kissinger

Secretary Kissinger will visit Peking later this year. In preparation for this trip, it is requested that current briefing material be provided on the following subjects:

- Status of PRC Strategic Weapons Programs and National Defense Posture
- Status of Sino-Soviet Relations
- Current and Projected Foreign Policy Orientation of the PRC
- Condition of the PRC Economy, and Its Relation to Foreign Trade (especially with the U.S.)
- Current and Anticipated PRC Orientation to the Taiwan Question
- Outlook for PRC Internal Politics: The succession problem;
 outlook for policy changes affecting domestic and foreign relations (political, economic, military)

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It would be appreciated if these studies could be transmitted to the Secretary via this office no later than November 8.

/s/

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